

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: I claim notice for that question.

Population as per Religions and Castes.

45. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN: Will the Government be pleased to state the respective numerical strength of Brahmins, Nairs, Roman Catholics, other Christians, Ezhavas and Mahomedans in the State according to the last census?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: The numerical strength of the above classes according to the last census is as follows:—

Brahmins	...	60,511
Nairs	...	690,495
Roman Catholics	...	327,979
Christians (others)	...	844,955
Ezhavas	...	667,935
Mahomedans	...	270,478

Literacy in English.

46. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN: Will the Government be pleased to state the percentage of English-knowing people to the total population in Travancore according to the last census?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: The percentage is 1.5, excluding persons under five years of age.

Caste-war Statement of Foreign Scholars.

47. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN: Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the number of persons who were awarded foreign scholarships during the last twelve years, and also the number of Brahmins, Nairs, Roman Catholics, other Christians, Ezhavas and Mahomedans among them?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: The required statement* is laid on the table.

Caste-war Statement of Appointments made by the High Court.

48. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN: Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the number of appointments above Rs. 20 made by the High Court during the last seven years, and the number among them given to Brahmins, Nairs, Roman Catholics, other Christians, Ezhavas and Mahomedans?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: Government do not propose to call for the information as, in their opinion, the time and labour involved in its collection will be out of all proportion to its utility.

North Travancore and the Economic Development Board.

49. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN: Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any one on the Economic Development Board, who is a native of any of the taluks north of Kottayam?

*Vide Appendix III—page 158.